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Re: U.S. Patent Application No: 10/758,825

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On January 23, 2007, Deposit Account No. 083284 was charged \$1,400.00 for the Issue Fee Payment for the above identified patent application.

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Furthermore, in Applicant's Submission of Issue Fee in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/758,825 filed on January 22, 2007, Applicant expressly requested that, pursuant to MPEP 1306, the issue fee previously paid on June 6, 2006 be applied to the issue fee currently due in the present application. A copy of the Applicant's submission is enclosed.

We therefore respectfully request the Commissioner for Patents to refund the charge of \$1,400,00 to Deposit Account No. 083284 since the Issue Fee that was paid on June 6, 2006 should have been applied to the Issue Fee currently due in the present application.

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